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When you are out shopping come in
and see them.

are arriving nearly every day, they are attracting a great deal of attention. Many new and very desirable ideas are produced this season, the colorings are unusually pretty.

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The high price of materials will certainly make a great difference in the price and quality of aprons. By making early purchases we are able to offer values that we cannot duplicate later in the season. The prudent one will take advantage of the extra good values. Large kimono aprons, 59¢, 75¢, \$1.00, \$1.25.

NORWAY. MAINE

PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION: CHRISTOPHER CAMPBELL

Miss A. A. Benson was called on Monday, Friday by the above named friends, and Mrs. A. Benson Mrs. Benson were cordially at this visit.

He and the George Watson and daughter, Marion, were recent guests at W. H. Benson's, Hartford.

Mrs. George Park was in town on Monday, Monday.

Mrs. Helen Altvater and Mrs. George Altvater are returning from their recent visit.

Mrs. E. A. Taylor was the guest of the James family at Hartford, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Watson were at A. A. Benson's, Monday.

Mrs. Mary Davis observed a powerful vision at the Baptist church, this morning, Sunday.

Miss Helen Park, who has been coming to church, returned to her home here, Saturday.

W. J. Bryant was in Boston on Tuesday, Tuesday.

Delightful weather the past week.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes from
Bethel were Sunday guests at "Pleasant
View," the home of Mr. and Mrs.
W. H. Hutchinson.
Mrs. Anna Hurlburt was calling on
relatives here, Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Wheeler ac-
companied, Sunday, of High street, Bethel
were at Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Gros-
venor, the 15th.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde L. Whisman ac-
companying, Sunday, and Winfield, visit-
ing relatives in Maine, Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood from Bethel
called at the home of Mrs. Wood-
worth, Mrs. Elsie Spencer, Sunday.
Messrs Charles, Elm. P. and H. A.
Lynn and Miss F. Brown were in the
city, Sunday.
Mrs. Fred Shaw from Robertson's
Hall was with her daughter at "Little
stone," last week.
Mrs. Anna Taylor and son, Ray-
mond, are guests of friends at the
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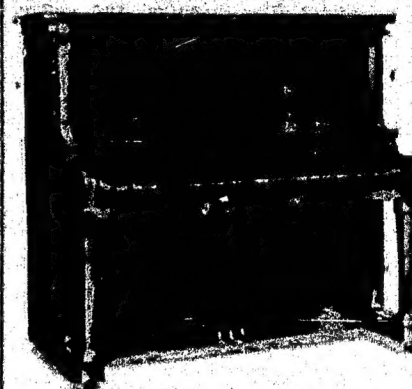
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THE ART OF FURNISHING A HOUSE.

The skilful furnisher knows how to make the most of the materials at hand. Given very small rooms, she knows just how to set about making them look as large as possible. Given dark rooms, she tries to give the effect of sunlight. Given blazing hot rooms, she tries to lend a refreshing coolness. And so she goes on from room to room, picking out its weaknesses first, only so as to be able to cover them up in the most effectual manner.

The amateur house furnisher can do the same thing if she studies the methods of the art. A great deal of the room's beauty depends on its papering, and the furnisher should study the different effects obtained with different papers. In going from one apartment to another in the large building she will notice how different the same room in a lower and upper story can appear. She will think how much lighter the room looks on one floor than on another and how much bigger on still another. It is an excellent study for amateur house furnisher to visit one apartment right above another and to puzzle out why the parlor in one apartment should seem so different from its exact counterpart in another.

After much careful study, she will probably come to some such deductions as the following—That dark colors make all rooms look smaller; that light shades enlarge the rooms; that warm colors, yellow, rose and yellow green make a room sunny looking, while blues, lavenders and grays make it cool. She will probably find also that massive furniture and heavy draperies serve to make an apartment look small and crowded, while a greater number of little pieces can be used with light draperies and still give the effect of

With this knowledge stored away in her mind for use, she begins to furnish her apartment. The parlor and dining room are both sunny but small. Her idea then is to make them look as large as possible, but not to add any warmth, as they have already plenty of light. For the parlor she papers in a light, almost pearly, gray. This light shade gives her a spacious air, while a dark color, let us say any red or blue, would have brought the four walls close together. Now, with gray for a background she can afford to introduce a warm shade in the draperies, as gray is particularly cold. So she has chintz with gray body, but with an old rose figure and her hangings. Her carpet, too, is old rose, and the furniture is perhaps a richer wicker, with old rose chintz cushions.

The treatment of the dining room must be based on the same lines. An oatmeal tan paper gives size to the small room, but delft blue draperies and decorations keep the room cool to look at. This is an especially attractive combination for the dining room.

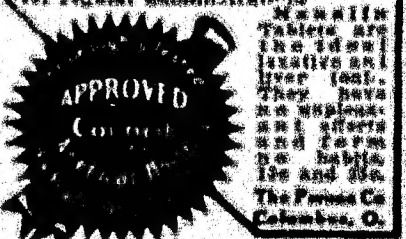
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HOW YOU GET SICK

Sometimes you overload your stomach with rich foods. Your liver and gallbladder are taxed, and you may care for all you eat. But a few days of inactivity show you the results. You feel tired and sluggish. You awake in the morning tired. You feel that you are not up to the mark. Your digestion has not cared for the load. You are not getting the vitamins and minerals that your body needs. The digestive glands are not working properly. They are not able to absorb the life-giving elements. Your body gets weak, and soon you are in need of a tonic. A tonic is offered for some severe illness.

Taken in time, the Indigestion Tonic will help you to get back to normal. It will remove the overload, then soothe the overburdened, tired organs. It will wake up the tired, sluggish liver, but not too early. You need help, but you must not get it too soon. It will remove waste, soothe the nerves, and arouse the system. It will help you to get back to normal. It has an enviable record in that it has helped thousands of people in the last century to overcome just these conditions, and there is no reason to doubt that it will do the same for you.

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Keeping Yourself Well

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Taken in time, the indigestion would not become serious. First remove the overload, then soothe the sore membranes, then build up the weakened body. It is simple to say, but not too easy to do. You need help. A tonic that will quicken digestion, help remove waste, soothe the soreness and arouse the system—that is just what you need.

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ON THE SAFE SIDE.

What to Do When the Children Are Ill.

If you find one of the children flushed and feverish; sick, without having eaten anything indigestible; suffering from sore throat; very red eyes and heavy, with a tendency to sneeze, you may suppose that he is possibly sickening for measles, scarlet fever or diphtheria. You can't be sure, of course. His trouble may only be a bad, feverish cold or a sudden bilious attack. But, as long as you're not sure, you ought to keep on the safe side, for the sake of the other members of the family.

Put him to bed in a room by himself. On no account whatever must another child sleep in the room or run to and fro. The only person who may go in and out is the "grown-up" who is doing the nursing.

If you are so very cramped for space that it is absolutely impossible to avoid letting other children sleep in the room, then you must soak a sheet in strong carbolic and hang it up between the beds occupied by the ill and well. Leave the window wide open all night—the sick child will not catch cold if he is carefully covered. These precautions help to lessen the chance of infection, though they do not do away with it altogether.

As long as there is any doubt about the nature of the illness all food which comes from the sick child's room should be burnt at once; all water should be emptied well away from the house, and all linen—sheets, nightdresses, handkerchiefs, etc.—should be washed apart from the rest of the house linen.

The person who is nursing the sick child should, if possible, change her dress and wash her hands and face after leaving the invalid and before mixing with other folks.

Consumption is a disease with regard to which people ought to keep on the safe side, but very often don't. You see, in its early stages it is not an alarming thing. The patient is not very ill. He goes about as usual, and no one thinks it worth while to take any precautions with regard to him.

If you ever suspect that one of your family, may, perhaps, have a tendency to consumption you should exercise the greatest care. That person should never be in the same room with other people unless the windows are wide open. He should sleep alone, and he should be prevented, as far as possible, from kissing any one.

He should have handkerchiefs of soft Japanese paper—an unlimited supply of them—and they should be burnt immediately after use.

EFFECTS OF DRINKING WATER.

To eat a hearty meal of even the most wholesome of food and immediately wash it all down with a glass of ice water is a foolhardy proceeding. Moderately cold, or even hot water, or, in fact, liquid of any kind cannot be taken with impunity into the stomach on top of a hearty meal.

Water, in order to have the most desirable effect, should be taken on an empty stomach, otherwise the gastric fluid will be so diluted that it cannot properly perform its functions. Half an hour or an hour before breakfast, and away of meals, and on retiring are the most approved times. A quart or more during the day will serve to keep the system in good condition and will keep the stomach, bowels and kidneys in good working order, providing these rules are rigidly adhered to.

Parents, however, while pursuing the course of treatment with themselves, often fail to instill the same mode of procedure into the minds of their children. Let them early be taught, both by precept and example, that there are stated times when water may healthfully be partaken of, and that there are also times when large draughts of water are very harmful. It cannot be too forcibly impressed upon the young mind that ice cold water should seldom, if ever, be indulged in, and that moderate drinking of it when very much heated, or after a full meal, is extremely harmful, and may prove fatal.

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NORTH NEWRY.

F. H. Allen of Stetson, Me., was a guest at L. E. Wight's, Wednesday. The selectmen were in session Thursday, Friday and Saturday, making town reports.

Mrs. Gladys Hurlbert, who is working at Rumford, spent the week end at H. W. Knap's.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving French, who have been staying at Errol this winter, returned to their home here, Wednesday.

Mrs. R. W. Kilgore is at home again after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Carter, Jr., at Middle Intervale.

H. H. Hansson was a guest of his sister, Mrs. C. C. Bennett, Sunday.

RURAL ENGINEERING.

Experimental, Post, and County Roads Constructed—Homes and Other Farm Buildings Designed.

Nearly 5,000,000 square yards of roadway, the equivalent of 561.9 miles of road 15 feet wide, were constructed under the supervision of Federal road specialists during the last fiscal year, according to the annual report of the Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering of the United States Department of Agriculture just issued. This is more than double the mileage so constructed in previous years. The roads included under supervision of the office comprise experimental roads, post roads, county roads and roads in national parks and forests. The expenditures of the office for this purpose were chiefly for engineering services and supervision, the communities, except in the case of forest and park roads, meeting the bulk of the costs for material and construction.

A special appropriation was made for the construction of the post roads in the post-office appropriation bill of 1912. Eight of the 11 post road projects remaining at the beginning of the last fiscal year were completed by the end of the year, bringing the mileage of the completed roads under this special project to 337.6. Three of the original 17 projects, aggregating 59.17 miles in length, remained uncompleted at the end of the year. The 8 projects completed are in 7 States and traverse 15 counties.

The office made studies and recommendations for improving the complete road systems of 32 counties in a number of States, assigned engineers to inspect specific roads and advise as to their treatment in 113 communities, and especially assigned 7 engineers to assist State departments of roads and other State agencies dealing with roads and road materials.

Maintenance Work.

The demonstration maintenance work undertaken in 1914 on a through route from Washington to Atlanta was continued during the year, the mileage under supervision increasing from 724 to 870. The cumulative effect of continuous maintenance, says the report, has been demonstrated by the fact that from March 15 to the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1916, the road was not closed to traffic at any point.

National Park and Forest Roads. In the national parks and national forests the office supervised construction on approximately 170 miles of road, of which about 70 miles were completed. One of the roads under construction—the Eadsdale-Windor road in the Powell National Forest, Utah—will open up communication with a settlement in the valley of the upper Colorado River which has heretofore been practically cut off from the rest of the world.

The economic work of gathering road statistics and making studies of road cost, road costs, and benefits was continued by the office. Numerous tests and much research work in regard to road materials were conducted.

Rural Engineering.

In its rural engineering work the office planned farm water-supply systems and sanitary systems, and prepared plans for a southern farmhouse, three farmhouses suited to northern conditions, barns, corncribs, stables, machinery sheds, etc. The office also furnished information in regard to electric lighting and power plants for farm refrigerating systems, heating plants, windmill installations, etc.

CANTON

Principal Donald B. Partridge went to Dixfield, Friday night to be one of the judges at the triangular speaking contest.

The sad news of the sudden death of Maurice Collins Hathaway of Washington, D. C., reached Canton Tuesday, and came as a great shock to his many friends and acquaintances. Mr. Hathaway, who had not been well for some time, was taken critically ill Friday night, and failed rapidly until the end came Sunday noon. He was born in Canton, June 27, 1873, the son of Alanson S. Hathaway and Martha Rollins Hathaway. He resided in this town until he reached manhood, when on leaving school, he went to Washington, D. C., where he secured a government position and after a few years resigned and went to work for the Pullman Company, where he remained fifteen years. For several years he has been successfully engaged in the dry goods business. He married Miss Elizabeth Seales, who survives together with two children, Elizabeth and Kathryn Hathaway. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Martin A. Hathaway, who is spending the winter in Washington, one brother, Arthur M. Hathaway of Melrose, Mass., and a sister, Mrs. Chas. Williams of Washington. Mr. Hathaway was a member of B. B. French Lodge, No. 15, F. & A. M., of Washington. He had many warm friends in his native town as well as in his home city, who deeply sympathize with the family in their bereavement. The funeral was held Thursday and the interment was at Rock Creek cemetery.

Mrs. P. M. Oliver was called to Rumford last week by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Mary Oltham, who has had a shock of paralysis.

Miss L. B. Treadwell attended the funeral of Jerry Flaherty of Canton Point last week. The remains were placed in the tomb at Pine Woods cemetery, as no word has been received from his relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hutchinson have returned to their home in Canton.

Mrs. Gordon Dymond submitted to an operation upon her ankle at the McCarly Hospital at Rumford, Friday, and is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mrs. Lillian Fuller Dresser, wife of W. Ellery Dresser, proprietor of the Revere House, Canton, passed away early Saturday morning after an illness of a little over a week of pneumonia. Mrs. Dresser was born in North Turner in 1850, the daughter of Elton Turner and Eliza Head Fuller, to whom four children were born. Mrs. Dresser being the last to pass away. After the death of her parents, Mrs. Dresser and sister, Elsie Fuller, lived on the home place at N. Turner and were inseparable companions. The deceased married W. Ellery Dresser fourteen years ago and came to Canton to live, and her sister made her home with them. Two years ago last November Miss Fuller passed on, her death being a severe blow to Mrs. Dresser, who has been in frail health since then. Mrs. Dresser was a most estimable woman and will be much missed. She was an attendant at the Universalist church, and a faithful worker in the Universalist Circle, although not a member. Mr. Dresser is well known in the State as a hotel proprietor and in the death of Mrs. Dresser is left with no near relatives, with the exception of an aged brother, John Dresser, who is stopping with him at the present time.

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Geo. W. Carson.

The Esplanade orchestra furnished music for a drama and dance at Oxford, Thursday evening.

Miss Mildred Richardson has returned from a six weeks' visit in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. Lucy Elliott of No. Rumford is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Russell.

Mrs. Amy Lavorgna and Ella Whitcomb of Bethel and Miss Olive Bartlett of Rumford have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Lavorgna.

The second and third degrees were conferred on two candidates at the last meeting of Annapolis Lodge and a fine supper served.

George Lavorgna was at home from Hebrew Academy for over Sunday.

Miss Pauline Staughton of Whitefield, N. H., is a guest of Miss Marguerite Hollis.

Mrs. Maria Francis, who has been very ill, is much improved and her nurse has returned home.

A delightful session of the Ocean Park Study Club was held Tuesday evening with Mrs. Dana A. Yates.

The present "Day Religious Problems," was discussed, "Piano duets by the Misses Estelle Yates and Wilma Roberts and a social hour were enjoyed. In two weeks Mrs. Elsie Roberts will be hostess.

Mrs. J. B. Austin of Mexico has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hayes.

Mrs. Evelyn Dunn, who has arrived home from Southern Pines, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. K. Foster and family.

A good delegation from Canton attended the district meeting of Old Fellows at Rumford, Tuesday evening.

Rev. Geo. D. Hamlin, D. D., of Lewiston occupied the pulpit of the P. B. church, Sunday, in a very acceptable manner.

A Boy Scout Patrol has been organized in Canton, which has been named "Braver Patrol." Caleb E. Mendall has been elected scout master and J. Alton Tyler assistant.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Smith have returned home.

The Pine Tree Club met Saturday afternoon with Mrs. P. W. Morse with a good attendance and an interesting program, consisting of historical papers, readings, quotations, and music.

A guessing contest was won by Miss Michaels, who received a nice book for a prize. The next meeting will be held with Miss Marguerite Hollis, Mar. 3.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Mrs. J. A. Spinney is in Portland.

C. A. Baker is leading a carload of jewelry.

Mr. Wakefield is helping repair the road machine.

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J. A. Spinney was in Bethel, Tuesday.

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ATLAS ASSURANCE CO., LTD., OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate,	\$ 83,878.81
Stocks and Bonds,	2,805,459.91
Cash in Office and Bank,	103,098.85
Agents' Balances,	1,321,922.73
Interest and Rents,	33,435.72
All other Assets,	7,000.07

Gross Assets, \$3,513,835.99

Deduct items not admitted,

274,180.14

Admitted Assets, \$3,270,054.95

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 163,729.37

Unearned Premiums, 1,321,714.92

All other Liabilities, 51,079.55

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,295,137.13

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,270,054.95

W. J. Wheeler & Co., Agents, South Paris, Me.

2-22-17—F.

EASTERN CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, 161 Devonshire St., BOSTON, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Stocks and Bonds,	\$128,655.50
Cash in Office and Bank,	15,040.10
Agents' Balances,	341.00
Interest and Rents,	1,411.65
All other Assets, including Market Value Bonds,	1,025.50

Gross Assets, \$147,073.76

Deduct items not admitted,

541.00

Admitted Assets, \$146,735.76

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$9,036.13

Unearned Premiums, 4,930.82

All other Liabilities, 1,604.33

Cash Capital, 100,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, \$31,704.48

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$146,735.76

2-22-17—F.

LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL INS. CO. OF MANSFIELD, OHIO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate,	\$ 30,000.00
Mortgage Loans,	163,000.00
Collateral Loans,	2,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	534,513.15
Cash in Office and Bank,	138,313.51
Agents' Balances,	

THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN

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78th MAINE LEGISLATURE.

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The acts to prohibit the importation of liquor into Maine and to prohibit the circulation of advertising of liquor were given hearings before the committee on temperance. Among those who spoke for the advertising bill were C. J. Jones, Esq., of Waterville, Rev. W. P. Berry, secretary of the Christian Civic League, Mrs. Alice Quimby of Turner, president of the Maine W. C. T. U. The bill against advertising was vigorously opposed by Granville S. McFarland, editor of the Boston American. Rep. Henshaw of Litchfield supported the bill, but Mr. Berry, who introduced it, said he did not. Mr. Patten, who is said to have drafted the bill, Mr. Patten said he declared 5000 Democrats voted for Governor McKean because they believed he would be honest and sincere on the prohibition question. "But," declared the ex-governor, "you can't keep Maine sober by removing sheriffs and county attorneys, by sending men to jail or by prohibiting the circulation of advertising. If we are going to have that prohibition in Maine we want real prohibition. In my opinion it is good politics for both parties to vote for this bill."

Rev. William P. Berry and Hon. C. V. V. Nelson of Thomaston, appeared before the committee on judiciary Friday afternoon in favor of the resolve proposing a constitutional amendment which would give the Governor the power to remove sheriffs, a recommendation which was contained in the memorial address of Gov. McKean. His attorney General William H. Patten of Augusta opposed the measure.

The hearing before the committee on legal affairs relating to the power to remove county attorneys and to compel these attorneys to keep their desks cleaned up developed considerable fireworks. Two members of the committee, Senator Wolf of Hancock and Rep. Bennett of Belfast, former county attorneys backed the Rev. W. P. Berry until he cast reflections upon their country and drew upon them a reprimand from Senator Merrill of Bangor. Another member of the committee, the usual strong opposition to prohibition and the set to regulate the sale of whisky and to create a board of examination, when this bill came Thursday before the committee on judiciary.

The proposition to provide a mill tax fund for highways and the resolve favoring a bond issue for permanent improvements were discussed at a hearing Wednesday afternoon before the committee on ways and means. Prof. George T. Faxon conducted the case for the mill tax proposition and Rep. Faxon of Bangor supported the bond issue. Hon. Usher H. Nelson also spoke in opposition to the mill tax and in favor of the bond issue. Charles F. Faxon, president of the State board of roads supported the mill tax, as did T. P. Anderson of Lewiston. Others who favored the mill tax were Mr. W. W. Wadsworth of Bangor, Frank Sawyer of Waterville, Major Henry of Lewiston and E. L. Brown of Bangor.

Legislators and considerable attention attracted the hearings given Thursday afternoon by the committee on finance and expenses. Two bills were under consideration dealing with the new motor, one to amend and one to amend the charter of the Eastern Maine Railroad Co., and the other to authorize the Maine Central to build a branch line from Bangor to the Canadian boundary of the State to connect with the Canadian system. Both these bills have the Bangor & Aroostook vote in support of them, and the Bangor chamber of commerce, the city of Bangor, town of Houlton and several cities or towns placed their names before the committee. The Bangor Maine road committee that it has expended more than \$100,000 in preliminary surveys, no longer right of way, etc., and that this should not be thrown away by granting the Maine Central a charter for the extension of the same project. It was suggested that the Maine Central make this line an extension to "strongly" this road, and the statement was made that if the Maine Central agrees this charter the Eastern Maine will give up the attempt. The Eastern Maine then it would be able to get the road in action within the next few years. Granted for the Maine Central road the charter of the Eastern Maine would be given up.

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The readers of this paper will be glad to learn that there is at least one remedy for the disease known as Catarrh. Catarrh is the only disease known to the medical profession, which is a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: J. C. Hall & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Balm for constipation.

Here the Eastern Maine justified in expecting aid from Canada. The Maine Central, he declared, does not want to leave this territory undeveloped for another two years. Counsel Virgin for the Bangor & Aroostook opposed the extension of the charter of the Eastern Maine or granting one to the Maine Central declaring that such a parallel road violates the contract of the State with the R. & A. Other speakers than the counsel were generally for the Eastern Maine.

Much opposition was voiced against the proposed change from town almshouses to a system of county and district infirmaries, when that measure appeared before the committee on judiciary. The counties of Knox, Lincoln and Sagadahoc would be combined in one district. The system would be under the control of local boards of trustees and supervision of the State board of charities and corrections. But its chances of success in this Legislature are not received very highly.

New Bills Introduced.
Tuesday of last week saw the introduction of the last private and special legislation, the hoppers having closed to this class of measures at 4:30 P. M. was reached as the result of the rush on Monday. The total of 247 measures to get in under the time limit.

Among the most important bills introduced last week was one by Senator Holt of Cumberland, and it is already the target of the big guns of the insurance concerns. The bill provides that every employed person engaged in manual labor and all others earning \$100 a month or less except employees of the United States, the State of Maine or municipalities or inmates of charitable reformatories shall be insured in a fund or society as provided in this act. Compulsory insurance is provided for every person to be insured by a central body the cost of the said insurance to be borne by the employer, and a commission would be created, the chairman to receive \$5,000 annually and each of the other two \$4,000. A clerk would receive \$1,000. Another bill introduced on the insurance subject by Mr. Holt provides for a health insurance commission to investigate sickness and accident not compensated by workmen's compensation, of employed persons and their families. A report to the Legislature of 1918 is demanded.

Senator Vinton of Aroostook presented an act relating to the inspection of hotels, inns and rooming houses, providing for inspection by the board of health and a fee from the proprietor at the rate of 10 cents for each room.

Senator Willis A. Ricker of Hancock recently introduced a bill for an act providing for the registration of teachers. The bill provides that any person holding a State teacher's certificate or a temporary teaching permit may upon payment of three dollars and upon application to the State superintendent of schools register as a candidate for employment as a teacher in the public schools within the State. Mr. Ricker of Bangor introduced a resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution for the election of the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November biennially of Governor, senators, representatives and other officers now required to be elected in September.

Members of especial interest to the readers of this newspaper were introduced as follows:
Bill of Hancock—Act authorizing the United Electric Company to extend its electrical lines in and within the town of Houlton, and to purchase the electrical equipment and franchises of the trustees of Houlton Academy.

Charles of Lewiston—Act relating to fishing in tributaries to Lake Umbagog, and to River street, Oxford County, in cutting "north of Caledonia bridge" in connection of territory in which fishing is prohibited except for sports and recreation.

The House of Representatives on Friday passed the bill to amend the resolve giving Mrs. McKean Stanley, whose husband, the late John P. Stanley, representative of the last Eastern Maine district, was killed last fall by a coal truck down, the sum of \$200 for each of the years 1917 and 1918. The resolve, undoubtedly, will receive its final passage.

Mr. Patten of Augusta, who introduced the bill, said he believed it would be passed. The bill was passed by a vote of 100 to 10.

MEXICO—RUMFORD

Lively Hearing at Augusta Last Week.

"They want us to rebuild the bridge, that's the Nigger in the woodpile," exclaimed Ralph T. Parker of Rumford in explaining why the town of Rumford was opposed to certain features of the resolve appropriating money to aid the town of Mexico in purchasing the toll bridge over the Androscoggin river between the towns of Mexico and Rumford, to the committee on ways and bridges Friday afternoon.

The purpose of the resolve was to free the toll bridge and a new draft has been presented which would divide the cost of maintenance in equal portions between the towns of Mexico and Rumford. The entire history of the toll bridge and the Rumford and Mexico bridge district was gone into in detail and there were many clashes between Mr. Parker and Lucian W. Blanchard of Rumford and Representative George A. Hutchins of Mexico, who represented the proponents of the bill, as well as encounters between opposing witnesses, and a vast amount of feeling between the two towns in the matter of this bridge was made evident.

The resolve asks for \$15,000 to aid the town of Mexico in freeing the bridge. Mr. Blanchard explained that Mexico was the "red room" of Rumford, made so largely on account of the high price of house lots in Rumford and that the toll bridge imposed a tax of 45 a year upon the working man living in Mexico and 42 a year if he used a team in coming and going. He explained that the bridge district included only a part of the town of Mexico, Rumford having refused to accept the act of 1915, and that the district had paid \$17,000 for the bridge.

Paul D. Sargent, chief engineer of the State highway department, testified that the bridge was in good condition and the \$1,000 would make all the repairs called for.

"Is it heavy enough to take care of the traffic?" asked Rep. Boone of the committee. Mr. Sargent said that it was not so heavy as he would care to build himself and that seven tons was the maximum load recommended. The bridge was 375 feet long with three spans.

"What will Rumford do?" inquired Senator Conant, as if he had never heard the old story. And from then on the hearing was of the liveliest kind.

"Rumford was never interested in freeing this bridge," declared Attorney Blanchard with some feeling. "Mexico would gladly assume the entire cost of freeing the bridge, from personal pride, if the town was able to do so," said Rep. Hutchins of Mexico. He explained that on account of the great demand for schools in that town Mexico must at present expend 60 per cent of its revenue for schools. "Our problem is not a highway problem; it is a school problem," he went on. "The bridge problem is beyond our solving and we ask your help, gentlemen of the committee."

Mr. Hutchins said that it was unfair to ask "rich Rumford" to assume one-half the cost of maintenance of the bridge between the two towns. Mexico had lots of other bridges that it was keeping up. He declared that the proposition of freeing the toll bridge was one of interest to the people all over Maine and of other states as well.

"The people of Maine ought to take action to free every toll bridge in the state; they are a disgrace to the state and should no longer be tolerated," he concluded.

H. W. Goodwin, former representative from Mexico said that he had heard little about this toll bridge for the last 10 years. Rumford had refused to help either to buy the bridge or to help form a bridge district. The valuation of Mexico was \$100,000, the indebtedness of the town had been as high as \$5 per cent and the borrowing capacity was only \$5,000. The toll bridge placed a tax of 45 per week upon the town of Mexico.

John L. Howard of Mexico declared that the toll bridge imposed a tax of \$2,000 a year upon the people of Mexico.

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praised in order to prove its contention. Mr. Parker cited the report of Engineer Greenwood that the bridge was 22 years old and that the best method was only to make what repairs were necessary and later erect a new structure. He declared that the bridge would soon have to be rebuilt and that the state highway law required that towns on opposite sides of a river should pay for the rebuilding of a bridge in proportion to their valuation which would cause seven-eighths of the cost to fall upon the town of Rumford and one-eighth upon the town of Mexico.

Attorney Blanchard after much cross examination brought out that the engineer of the bridge company had testified that \$1,000 would make all necessary repairs upon the bridge and that it was stronger than when built. "But the appraisers didn't take that view of it when instead of the \$30,000 asked they asked \$10,000."

Fred W. Davis, first selectman of Rumford, said that Rumford was within 425,000 of its debt limit and had 125 miles of road to build. He admitted on cross examination that he would like to see the bridge set free but Rumford did not want to pay for maintenance. When he said that Rumford had had no notice of the matter Mr. Goodwin broke in with "Don't you consider that the people of Mexico gave you fair notice when you had two chances to vote on it?"

"That was so long ago it was out of our memory," Mr. Davis replied. John Tardiff, also a selectman of Rumford, said that the town had 52 bridges and was discussing building another one to connect Congress and Waldo streets.

Mr. Davis said that Rumford people who had signed the petition had done so without understanding that the act called for a portion of the maintenance to be borne by the town of Rumford. In rebuttal Attorney Blanchard pointed out that the resolve provided that one-half of the maintenance should be borne by the town of Rumford instead of the seven-eighths provided by the general law and said that Mr. Parker was very unfair to assume the general law when he knew what the resolve said.

RURAL EDUCATION.

Continued from page 1.

ly are their minds and characters being molded and formed by the influences of their schools, but their physical welfare is likewise in large measure determined by schoolroom environment. Every school child is entitled to school surroundings which are clean, wholesome, safe and morally uplifting and no town or community has discharged its obligations to its children until all the school buildings and surroundings meet these specifications. It is not possible for the best work to be accomplished in a schoolroom which is improperly heated, inadequately ventilated or lighted and badly furnished. Contrary to a prevalent opinion the changes that are necessary to put all school buildings in a reasonably decent condition in respect to these things need not be unduly expensive. The rearrangement of the windows, the provision of a ventilating stove, an equipment of modern desks, decent seats, these are all within the means of any community.

No other institution in our country is more truly representative than the public school. One can say with entire truth that the schools of any community cannot average much better than the public sentiment of the community as a whole will endorse and they cannot remain permanently inferior provided this public opinion demands improvement. It is erroneous to suppose that the public schools of any town or community can be improved only by legislation and by means of a school act. There must be an alert and sustained interest of the people if a high measure of efficiency is to be secured and maintained. High educational standards are not imposed either by liberal appropriations alone. It is necessary that there should be sympathetic cooperation and active support. These will insure permanent progress.

NECESSARY STEPS.
The things that need to be done to improve the quality of rural schools may be summarized as follows:
1. A recognition by the people that rural prosperity depends on the quality of the educational facilities offered.
2. More liberal financial support for rural schools.

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Assets Dec. 31, 1916.
Real Estate, \$ 879,909.09
Stocks and Bonds, 2,227,852.41
Cash in Office and Bank, 247,014.51
Agents' Balances, 519,659.09
Interest and Rents, 25,977.68
All other Assets, 15,118.07

Gross Assets, \$5,011,922.07
Deduct Items not admitted, 89,136.52
Admitted Assets, \$4,922,785.55
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 290,748.27
Unearned Premiums, 2,635,413.24
All other Liabilities, 79,951.14
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 906,680.90

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,922,785.55

Agents: MOSES P. STILES, Norway, Me. OXFORD INS. CO., Rumford, Me.

THE LUMBER MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO., OF BOSTON, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.
Bonds, \$401,280.42
Cash in Office and Banks, 110,239.60
Agents' Balances, 17,922.79
Interest, 13,177.22
All other Assets, 16,214.61

Gross Assets, \$1,118,834.61
Deduct Items not admitted, 35,863.97
Admitted Assets, \$1,082,970.64
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 12,228.74
Unearned Premiums, 278,451.24
All other Liabilities, 207,949.71
Surplus over all Liabilities, 578,920.91

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,082,970.64

Agents: J. H. BROWN, Bangor, Me. J. H. BROWN, Bangor, Me.

PENNSYLVANIA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO., 806 LAFAYETTE BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.
Mortgage Loans, \$ 75,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 642,570.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 141,164.67
Agents' Balances, 27,133.61
Interest and Rents, 10,849.29
All other Assets, 16,526.07

Gross Assets, \$914,243.54
Deduct Items not admitted, 21,921.12
Admitted Assets, \$892,322.42
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 20,500.15
Unearned Premiums, 267,207.73
All other Liabilities, 4,707.12
Surplus over all Liabilities, 599,914.42

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$892,322.42

Agents: J. H. BROWN, Bangor, Me. J. H. BROWN, Bangor, Me.

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RUMFORD

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The Rumford District Sunday School

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The Rumford District Sunday School

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Convention will convene with the Congregational church at Mexico on Feb. 27th.

Miss Edna Harvey, who is assistant to Harley N. Prescott, manual training teacher in the Rumford schools, is ill and has gone home for a six weeks rest.

Mrs. Fred Carroll of Franklin street is in Boston the guest of her sister, Miss Edith Flagg, who is spending the winter there.

Pearl Dyer of the Oxford Printing Company, who has been for some time in the Rangely region for the benefit of his health, has returned to town and resumed work.

Hon. and Mrs. Waldo Pettengill of Franklin street were guests in Washington of the Hon. Senator Fernald of Maine, and heard Senator Fernald in his maiden speech in the Senate of the Post Road Transportation Bill. Mr. and Mrs. Pettengill are on their way south to St. Petersburg, Fla.

The log station at Bemis, which has been a unique feature on the Rangely Lake line, is to be replaced at once by a modern frame structure, the contract for which has been let to the P. A. Rumery Co. of Portland, and to be completed in season for the summer business, June 1st. The old log station had decayed so badly as to require extensive repairs, hence it was deemed best to replace it.

A double alarm from box 26 at 7 A. M. Sunday called the department to a bad fire in Cheney block, corner of Congress and Exchange streets.

This is a brick building four stories high, the street floor and basement occupied by Stanley Blaboe's hardware store, the second floor devoted to offices, while the third and fourth floors were devoted to roomers and light house-keeping, and fully occupied. Every-

body got out safely, although the building was quickly choked with suffocating smoke, and in two instances a man and one woman were taken down ladders on the Exchange street side.

The fire department were on the spot promptly, and as soon as it was evident that the tenants were all out, powerful streams of water were turned on, and although the back end was a roaring furnace from heat and smoke, the blaze began to subside.

By the time the fire was under control by nine A. M. The smoke from the burning wood and from paint stock and oils in the basement rolled out in dense volumes, it being impossible to locate the blaze itself, so that more damage was done by water than by fire, the whole structure being thoroughly soaked from top to bottom. The estimate of the loss has not yet been made, but probably \$4,000 will put the building in as good condition as before, but the damage to tenants and furnishings will be quite heavy, mostly covered by insurance.

Mrs. John P. Shepherd of Portland, who was formerly a resident of Rumford, is in town spending a few days visiting old friends. At present she is the guest of Mrs. H. L. Elliott of Washington street. On Monday evening Mrs. Elliott entertained three tables of whist at her home in honor of her guest, these ladies being the former friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Shepherd.

Letters received from Douglas Hall, son of A. A. Hall, formerly yardman for the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway Company, tell his friends that he is on the little line somewhere in France, and that he has had his first baptism of fire, and is as yet unscathed.

Douglas enlisted as an American, in a Western Canadian regiment from Calgary, was promoted to Sergeant, and when the regiment went to England in the fall of 1916, they went into the training camps there, later to the battle front in France. "Dog" as he was always called by his schoolmates in Rumford, writes that when he

ANDOVER

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Bailey were guests at North Rumford, Tuesday, Feb. 13.

The Grange Sewing Circle met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Ella Damon.

The King's Daughters will serve a dinner in the town hall, Monday, Mar. 5th.

Roger Thurston has spent the past week with his family in town.

Mary Hovey was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Neal Bodwell, Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Dorothy Elliott has been quite ill.

George Thomas and wife entertained at dinner, Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dunn and family and Roger Thurston and family.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club was entertained by Mrs. Ada Merrill at the home of Harry Thomas, Saturday evening. Six tables were in use.

Mrs. Clayton Sweet and Merrill Hovey won the first prizes, and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Newhall the consolation prizes. Dainty refreshments were served.

Roger Thurston, wife and daughter, Anna, were guests to tea of Mrs. Y. A. Thurston and Mrs. Bedell, Monday evening.

The Ladies' Aid met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Herman Dunham.

Jack Warren, who is working at Andover this winter, is spending this week with his family in town.

Rev. Mr. Graham preached an interesting sermon Sunday morning at the Congregational church. In the evening songs were sung from the screen and a most interesting illustrated lecture was given on the prophet Elijah. Underwood and Underwood slides were used.

Mr. W. W. Perkins and L. E. Hall attended the Pomona Grange at Dixfield last week, Wednesday.

Mrs. Malvina Bedell was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edward Akers, Friday of last week.

Walter Hanson of West Peru was operated on at McCarly's Hospital at Rumford, Tuesday. Mr. Hanson was a former resident of Andover.

Word has been received by relatives in town of the death of Mrs. Helen Hoffman on Friday, Feb. 9, at her home in Denver, Col. Mrs. Hoffman was the daughter of the late Elbridge Poor of this town, and widow of Henry Hoffman of Denver. She lived in town for some time after her marriage with Mr. Hoffman. She leaves two sons, one a dentist in Denver, and the other a resident of Oregon, also two brothers, Alfred Poor of Chapman, Kansas, and Henry L. Poor of Andover. The deceased was 80 years of age.

Abel Lodge, K. of P., will give a ball Thursday evening, Feb. 22, in the town hall. Supper will be served by the Pythian Sisters.

Dick Marston is in town from Bemis.

Mr. Lawrence Parsons and Miss Dorothy Akers were married at Rumford Center, Saturday evening, Feb. 17, by Rev. W. W. Laite.

John Kimball, who is working at Locke's Mills, visited his mother, Mrs. H. E. Kimball, Sunday.

Miss Rena George visited her friend, Mrs. Clifford Clough, Sunday.

Mrs. Ben James and Mrs. Abner Kimball called on Mrs. Herman Brown and Mrs. Marion Saunders and day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Kimball spent Sunday in Bethel, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Lowe.

J. P. Kimball went to Mark, Sunday, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris and children, with Mrs. Ernest Swicker and child of West Bethel spent Sunday at Whitefield Swicker's.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kimball called on Mrs. Kimball's cousin, Mrs. Tom Harris, of West Bethel the first of the week.

Mrs. Ed McPherson called at Herman Brown's, Monday.

John Adams caught a bob cat and a coon in his trap Monday morning.

Abner Kimball's famous cattle dog disappeared last Thursday and has not been seen since.

When a woman finds her husband becoming morose, she can do a lot toward breaking the morose.

gets across the water, he is going to head straight for the good old state of Maine, says he wants to get where they are sure to have something good to eat. Young Douglas's father, who went to Calgary a few years ago during the boom of that country, has been naturalized as a Canadian citizen, but Douglas refused to abrogate his birthright as a citizen of the United States.

The regular meeting of the Common Club was held on Tuesday evening at Hotel Rumford with supper in the private dining room of the hotel.

The paper of the evening was given by Dr. William T. Rowe, who took for his subject, "Tuberculosis."

Dr. Rowe has lantern slides to illustrate his paper as he read it.

WEST PARIS

Basket ball games Friday evening, West Paris High school against Woodstock High school, score 38 to 5 in favor of West Paris; West Paris Red Ribbons against West Paris Blue Ribbons, score in favor of Red Ribbons.

West Paris High school first and second teams went to Mexico, Saturday, to play against Mexico High school teams first and second.

Miss Diana Wall and Miss Ruth Carter spent the week end in Portland.

Miss Hazel Clark, teacher of the Tuell Town school, was the week end guest of Miss Fannie Flint.

Miss Ruth Carter has resigned her position as teacher in the grammar school to accept a better position at Augusta.

Mrs. Edna Emery is ill.

Herbert Richardson of Berlin, N. H., was the guest of his mother and relatives at G. C. Churchill's, recently.

Frank L. Willis is sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to return home.

Tuesday afternoon Mr. Morrison who works around North Paris borrowed a team of Leland Dunham. As neither horse nor driver returned at night investigation was made. It seems that the sleigh tipped over and Mr. Morrison was thrown out, the horse got on to the track and was killed by a train about one-third of a mile from Snow's Falls. Mr. Dunham paid a good price for the horse, which was a good driver. Everybody is sorry for his loss. It is rather strange that two runaway horses have met death near Snow's Falls this winter.

Washington services will be held in each of the rooms at the schoolhouse on Thursday afternoon from 1:30 to 2:30 o'clock. Parents and friends are cordially invited to attend.

The annual prize speaking contest of West Paris High school will be held March 9.

The meeting held on Saturday by the Baptist Society was a helpful and interesting meeting and was well attended.

Mrs. Dwight A. Hall is ill with grip.

Miss Alice Edna Barden will attend the Governor's Ball at Augusta. She will be the guest of Representative Herbert Andrews' family of Norway.

Mrs. Emma H. Mann and Maford Mann of Norway were guests of her son, H. S. Mann and family, Sunday.

NORTH HARTFORD.

Mrs. Frank Bragg went to Buckfield, Wednesday, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Keene.

Marion and Samuel Stetson went to Pomona Grange at Dixfield, Wednesday.

Mr. Winfield Farrar went to Buckfield, Saturday.

Robert Henry has finished work for J. Davenport and is now at work cutting wood for A. L. Oldham.

Mildred Sampson is visiting friends in Lewiston.

Mrs. Daniel Fletcher visited at Emory Parsons', Friday.

Mrs. Harry Bragg has been keeping house for her father, Mr. John Darrington, at Canton.

Carol Cole went down to Will Libby's, Sunday.

Livwood Darrington visited his sister, Mrs. Harry Bragg, Sunday.

Feb. 9, born to the wife of Perley Ripley, a daughter.

Mrs. E. L. Bragg and daughter, Alice, and son, Raymond, visited Mrs. Emma Briggs, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Davenport visited their former neighbors, Mrs. Ann Thompson and two sons, Frank and Fred. They found Mrs. Thompson much improved in health.

George Johnson purchased five shares of P. H. Sargent, Friday.

Mrs. Marie Dunn and daughter, Bertha, visited Mrs. Dunn's grandmother, Mrs. B. B. J. Lucas, Sunday.

Summer Deconet visited his cousin, Saturday night, and at J. Davenport's, Sunday.

Wilma Davenport visited friends at Canton a few days last week.

Mrs. Lizette Henry is assisting Mrs. B. Vailor for a few days.

P. A. Davenport is harvesting his rice.

Mrs. Ruth Hillier has gone to live with her husband in one of George Brown's tents at Hartford Center. Mr. Hillier is employed in the mill there.

A Valentine Sunday school was held at Hartford Center, Sunday.

Mrs. Nettie Stetson visited her niece, Mrs. A. L. Barber, in Norway a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stetson were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodge, of Canton, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Alfred Corlies and Mrs. Lydia Corlies visited Mrs. S. B. Lucas, Sunday.

Mrs. Edith Roberts visited at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Parsons, Friday.

Miss Thelma Curney was at Miss Edith Andrews', Wednesday.

Albert Davenport called at his own home, Mrs. Nellie Stetson's, Sunday.

Mrs. Percy Ripley and little daughter are being cared for at the home of

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Wilma Davenport closed a successful term of school at Tyler Corner, Feb. 2, with the following program:

Roll Call, Response by Quotations Song, "My Old Kentucky Home,"

Recitation, "Somebody's Mother," School

Our Little Neighbors, Edna Park Dialogue, "Brown Eyes and Blue Eyes," Lilla Billings, Ruth Park and Evelyn Forbes.

Recitation, "Mamma's Tired," Alice Bragg

Recitation, "Who's to Blame," Bernice Dunn

Recitation, "Hoe Out Your Row," Willard Gammon

Exercise, "Teddy, Terry and Tommy," Willard Gammon, Edward and William Park.

Recitation, "Who Made the Speech?" Evelyn Forbes

Recitation, "I Am a Little Boy," Harry Field

Recitation, "A Mortifying Mistake," Ruth Park

Dialogue, "The Sick Doll," Jack, The doctor, Willard Gammon

Sue, The nurse, Alice Bragg May, The mother, Bernice Dunn

Recitation, "Her Dream," Phila Henry

Recitation, "What a Little Girl Can Do," Winetta Barnell

Song, "Tipperary," Willard Gammon, Alice Bragg, Edward Park and Bernice Dunn

Recitation, "Work Together," Alice Bragg

Recitation, "Good-bye," Bernice Dunn

Exercise, "Vacation Days," Eight Pupils

Song, "America," School

We gather in this schoolroom Upon this happy day, Playing games and speaking pieces For to while the time away.

And we're glad to see our mothers, Who to us are very dear, For they all are very welcome, And our friends who gather here.

We know that we have been-unhappy At times in the nine weeks past, And we thank our teacher for her patience From beginning to the last.

All together, there are eleven scholars, Seven are girls and four are boys. But we think there is no difference When it comes to making noise.

At times we've missed our lessons When we came out in the class; Sometimes we were slow to get them; Other times we learned them fast.

But we think, all in all, When we come to take our test, We'll not blame our little teacher For we know she's done her best.

She has toiled five days weekly, All cheerful, never sad, And to see our childish faces Every morning she seemed glad.

And we thank her for her labor And her kindness in the past For we know we've been a trial From beginning to the last.

We, children, have learned to love her, And hope she'll come back next term.

We'll all try to do much better, Striving hard each day to learn.

But we welcome our vacation For we know again we'll meet At this Tyler Corner schoolhouse And we hope each one to greet.

So again we'll thank our teacher For her love and kindness too, And extend them to our friends here, And dear mothers unto you.

You have given us great pleasure, Coming here upon this day To hear us recite our little pieces And we'll be happy on our way.

Thinking how you've showed an interest In the little things we do, So I'll thank you all most heartily, And say to all a kind adieu.

This closed the entertainment. A treat was given the pupils, which appeared to their taste. There were many of the parents and friends who were being cared for at the home of

NEW PUBLICATION.

Washington Correspondent Preparing to Launch Monthly at National Capital.

"Achievements in the World's Work," with J. E. Jones as editor, is to appear early in the new year.

A prospectus, or sample specimen has been issued, and a copy of it may be seen at the Citizen office. Evidently Achievements in the World's Work will be developed along the lines of furnishing a theory, optimistic uplift to the things that count in the world's work.

The little sample book relates a human interest story of Henry Ford, as the principal article. It tells interestingly of B. L. Robb, of Milwaukee, who has invented a system whereby the roll call of the House of Representatives may be completed in three minutes, thereby saving two full months of the time of Congress during a long session.

"The Light of the World," traced from the earliest of hands, and the operations of the freely, down to the bright electric rays of the present time, is the basis of another article. The evolution of animal and human life, reciting the disappearance of the armored specimens, with up-to-date comparisons with reference to man's life and war, furnishes another story, that is not dull—but rather breezy, informative, and refreshing. Epigrammatic paragraphs enliven the pages.

Achievements in the World's Work will carry a style known as "popular" reading. Men and events will be treated in an intimate, familiar manner; and it is likely that human foibles will not be overlooked in the interest of pleasing the vanities of those who may be generally conceded as great.

The readers of the Citizen have been privileged to see much of Mr. Jones' writings in these columns. The appeal is being made first to those who felt an interest in Mr. Jones' Washington letter to become "charter member subscribers" to Achievements in the World's Work.

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Admitted Assets, \$122,000.00
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 5,000.00
Unearned Premiums, 100,000.00
All other Liabilities, 1,000.00
Cash Capital, 10,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 116,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$122,000.00
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POEMS WORTH READING

O TAKE ME BACK TO MY CHILDHOOD.

O take me back to my childhood,
When I was young and free,
And the heavy cares of later life
Were all unknown to me.

O take me back to my old home,
Where my boyhood days were passed,
For, alas! they are gone forever,
They were all too bright to last.

O take me back to my boyhood days,
The freest I've ever known,
Where the seeds of useful knowledge
In my boyish mind were sown.

O take me back to my mother,
That sainted one above,
O, I guess the best of childhood
Is to know a mother's love.

But we know there is a future,
Where souls are ever young;
And the glories of that homeland,
By saints above are sung.

And if we cannot turn backward,
To the happy days of yore;
We'll strive to reach that haven,
To dwell for evermore.

Lines composed by G. C. West of
West Paris on the death of his mother.
as as as
IF.

If you can keep your head when all
about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on
you,

If you can trust yourself when all men
doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubt
ing you;

If you can wait and not be tired of
waiting,
If you long for something that's out of
reach,

If you can dream of a better world,
And not make
your dreams
your masters;

If you can think—and not make
thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Dis-
aster

And treat those two imposters just
the same;
If you can bear to bear the truth
you've spoken

Twisted by knaves to make a trap
for fools,
If you can watch the things you gave your life
to broken

And stoop and build 'em up with
worn-out tools;

If you can make one heap of all your
wings
And risk it on one turn of pitch and
toss,

And lose and start again at your begin-
ning,
And never breathe a word about your
loss;

If you can force your heart and nerve
and sinew
To serve your turn long after they
are gone,

And so hold on when there is nothing
in you
Except the Will which says to them,
"Hold on!"

If you can talk with crowds and keep
your virtue,
Or walk with Kings—nor lose the
common touch;

If neither foes nor loving friends can
hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none
too much;

If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of dis-
tance run,

Yours is the Earth and everything
that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a
Man, my son.

—Rudyard Kipling.

OVER THE RIVER.
Nancy J. Priest.

Over the river they looked to me—
Those eyes who've looked to the fur-
ther side,
The gaze of their sunny eyes I see,
For their eyes are drawn to the
sailing ship.

There's a sea with rights of sunny gold,
And even the children of heaven's
own flow.
He stands in the twilight, gray and
still,
And the pale moon and his face are
not vain.

We saw out the angels who met him
there;
The gates of the city we could not see,
Once the river, over the river,
My brother stands waiting in welcome
and!

Over the river, the business pale
Carried another—the household pale

Her brown curls waved in the gentle
gale—
Darling Minnie! I see, her yet,
She crossed on her bosom her dimpled
hands,
And fearlessly entered the phantom
bark!

We watched it glide from the silver
sands,
And all our sunshine grew strangely
dark.

We know she is safe on the other side,
Where all the ransomed and angels
be;

Over the river, the mystic river,
My childhood's idol is waiting for me.

WHICH SHALL GO?
By Mrs. Elizabeth C. Klaney.
A mother sat with her children three;
The Angel of Death drew near;
"I come for one of thy babes," quoth
he,

"Of the little band, say, which shall
it be?
I will not choose, but leave it for thee
To give me the one least dear."

The mother started, with movement
wild,
And drew them all close to her heart;
The Angel reached forth, and touched
the child

Whose pearly features, where'er she
smiled,
Reflected the mother's beauty mild;
"With this one," said he, "can't thou
part?"

"With this one!" O God! she is our
firstborn—
As well take my life away!
I never lived till that blessed morn
When she, as a bud, on my breast was
worn;

Without her the world would be all
forlorn—
Fare thee this one, kind Death, I pray!"

The Angel drew backwards, then touch-
ed again;
This time 'twas a noble boy:
"Will it give thee to part with him less
gay?"

"Hold, touch him not!" she cried,
"refrain!
He's an only son—if we had but twin
th, spare us our pride and our joy!"

Once more the Angel stood waiting
there;
Then he gently laid his hand
on the shining brow of a babe, so fair,
That even Death pined and trembled
with care;

While the mother prayed, "Merciful
Heaven, forbear!
'Tis the pet of our little band!"

"Then WHICH?" said the Angel;
"For God calls one
The mother bowed down her head,
Lest's troubled fount was in tears o'er
run—

A murmur—a struggle—and Grace had
won.
"Not my will," she said, "but thine
be done!"

The pet lamb of the fold lay dead.
as as as
MEMORIES.

I recall the little schoolhouse,
As it graced the sloping hill,
With the fir trees just behind it,
And in front the village mill.

Here my baby thoughts were tutored,
Here I learned to read and spell,
And to write the copy sent me,
Though my childish heart rebelled.

Now how often! Oh, how often!
Do I long to see the spot,
And beneath the fragrant fir trees
Cast the burden of my thought.

There beside the quiet river,
Where the breadfall willows hang,
Have I often plucked the Row'srets,
Whispering the plucking thrushes sang.

There along the waters' edges
Grew the violets—purest thoughts,
While half hidden in the sedges,
Smiled the sweet forget-me-nots.

And beneath the sparkling waters,
Scattered on the golden sands,
Have I seen the shining pebbles,
Wishing they were in my hand.

Little knew I that the future
Of the years so far below,
Were they taken from the waters,
Would so quickly fade and go.

With a little twig I reached out;
Pulled it out upon the sands,
And with tears I viewed its dollars,
As I clasped it in my hand.

Thus began life's long and lonely
Hopes are brightest just ahead,
Yet when reached, the goal we sought
for,

All is lost—that brightness fled.

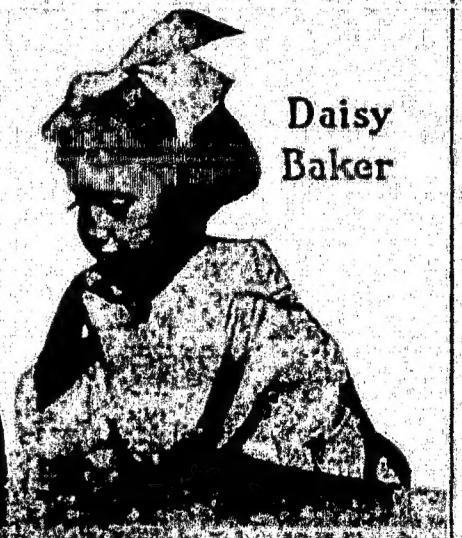
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"WILLIAM TELL FLOUR certainly takes the ache out of bake and puts the flavor in the bread."

ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.
Assets Dec. 31, 1916

Real Estate, \$ 175,182.74
Stocks and Bonds, 3,027,112.51
Cash in Office and Bank, 699,631.12
Agents' Balances, 380,092.00
Bills Receivable, 1,750.18
Interest and Rents, 22,346.50
All other Assets, 3,085.58

Gross Assets, \$4,343,390.03
Deduct items not admitted, 312,217.81

Admitted Assets, \$4,031,172.22
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 191,132.01
Unearned Premiums, 1,750,466.61
All other Liabilities, 42,281.02
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,037,181.04

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,031,172.22
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NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE CO., MANCHESTER, N. H.
Assets Dec. 31, 1916

Real Estate, \$ 330,000.00
Mortgage Loans, 24,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 5,800,438.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 319,424.91
Agents' Balances, 433,267.18
Bills Receivable, 30,511.23
Interest and Rents, 51,344.23

Gross Assets, \$6,970,284.43
Deduct items not admitted, 6,812.31

Admitted Assets, \$6,963,472.12
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 531,335.69
Unearned Premiums, 2,846,722.11
All other Liabilities, 331,356.60
Cash Capital, 1,350,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,199,429.41

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,963,472.12
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THE HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECTION & INSURANCE CO., HARTFORD, CONN.
Assets Dec. 31, 1916

Real Estate, \$ 20,000.00
Mortgage Loans, 1,554,370.80
Stocks and Bonds, 4,388,617.24
Cash in Office and Bank, 305,863.00
Agents' Balances, 471,003.00
Interest and Rents, 68,111.14
All other Assets, 40,040.70

Gross Assets, \$6,959,135.53
Deduct items not admitted, 153,847.60

Admitted Assets, \$6,805,287.93
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 67,529.30
Unearned Premiums, 2,738,563.68
All other Liabilities, 214,624.75
Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,754,471.02

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,805,287.93
222 31-P

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO. OF NEW YORK, 92-94 LIBERTY ST., 97-103 CEDAR ST., NEW YORK CITY.
Assets Dec. 31, 1916

Real Estate, \$1,393,833.45
Stocks and Bonds, 10,227,363.52
Cash in Office and Bank, 422,470.89
Premiums in Course of Collection, 1,912,029.57
Interest and Rents, 95,722.59
All other Assets, 290,772.28

Gross Assets, \$14,792,501.13
Deduct items not admitted, 1,003,703.90

Admitted Assets, \$13,788,797.23
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$3,449,753.20
Unearned Premiums, 5,388,522.97
All other Liabilities, 1,621,521.80
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,329,742.96

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$13,788,797.23
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The Oxford Ins. Agency, Agents, Rumford Falls, Me.

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A fellow doesn't have to be hard on his clothes to wear out his welcome.

If You Seek Pleasure Read PRUDENCE

ST. PAUL FIRE & MARINE INS. CO., ST. PAUL, MINN.
Assets Dec. 31, 1916

Real Estate, \$ 232,215.41
Mortgage Loans, 1,435,561.11
Stocks and Bonds, 8,512,698.74
Cash in Office and Bank, 810,730.19
Agents' Balances, 1,431,205.29
Bills Receivable, 35,492.19
Interest and Rents, 85,127.45
All other Assets, 37,051.94

Gross Assets, \$12,581,000.47
Deduct items not admitted, 202,383.62

Admitted Assets, \$12,378,616.85
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,328,636.40
Unearned Premiums, 5,804,445.52
All other Liabilities, 1,200,476.29
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,585,039.41

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$12,378,616.85
222 31-P

INDIANA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO., INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
Assets Dec. 31, 1916

Real Estate, \$ 20,000.00
Mortgage Loans, 304,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 299,214.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 39,812.00
Agents' Balances, 22,162.48
Interest and Rents, 9,504.20

Gross Assets, \$712,284.68
Admitted Assets, \$712,284.68
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 24,520.00
Unearned Premiums, 250,421.47
All other Liabilities, 8,582.47
Surplus over all Liabilities, 428,441.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$712,284.68
222 31-P

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Cramped muscles or soreness follow-
ing a cold or case of grippe are eas-
ily relieved by an application of
Bloss's Liniment. Does not stain the
skin or clog the pores like many oint-
ments or plasters and penetrates quick-
ly without rubbing. Limber up your
muscles after exercise, drive out rheu-
matism and aches of rheumatism, neural-
gia, lumbago, strains, sprains and bru-
ises with Bloss's Liniment. Get a bottle
today. At all Druggists, 25c. Adv.

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Mrs. L. E. Tennille, Ga.
by Lydia E. Pinkham's
family. I had
all the time and con-
severe case of ulcers
be an invalid, but I
advised my husband
and it has entirely
in the garden some-
as though it saved
they have been bene-

**If you want speci-
cine Co. (confident
read and answered**

**CLEANLINESS AN
EDGE OF DISEASE
TORS IN POULTRY**

By W. E. Vonn

Are you one of the
few poultry owners
realize that a clean and
try house and a knowl-
diseases are absolutely
marked degree of success
will pay you well to have
needed in the care of
house and fixtures and h-
bands when it appears

Disease undoubtedly is
man's greatest enemy, for
the best of care, one or
often become sick, espe-
cially in the winter months. When
it is no time to exp-
long most necessary in the
disease is, so that the
dy can be given quick-
ly to diagnose a case of
most valuable asset and the
real good poultry house is
cleaned at very slight ex-
pense the symptoms of po-
try known poultry disease

Rarely should chickens
poultry owner the loss of
for, while most poultry
very contagious, they are
easy to handle when one
familiar with them. The
it was right and proper to
or burn a sick chicken, but
action is seldom necessary
be almost as barbarous as
human afflicted with small
pox and plague and let his dis-
ease.

Physicians did not treat
cases they didn't know any-
more their knowledge en-
able them to apply treat-
ment, so that the number
from such diseases is over-
the infinitely greater num-
ber who have science pro-
gressing poultry disease and
are honestly and carefully
ed, standard remedies for
every known poultry ailment

However, equally importa-
poultry owner as the ability
case and treat poultry dis-
be an effort to lessen the
their appearance. Nothing
more efficient in accomplishing
less than cleanliness of hou-
se, and the provisions ne-
cessary proper cleanliness are
few that it should be a p-
anyone who wants a pay-
carry them out.

The first is that the house
arrangement for eat-
droppings and that these be
frequently. Probably the
factory way to catch most of
things is to place about ten
low the roosts a board or
which can be easily scraped
droppings should not be allow-
ed to stay more than a week at a time
and other fumes give
them are injurious to the birds

Warrant for Town Meeting

To Fred B. Merrill, a citizen of the town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford.

GREETING.—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Bethel, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet in Odeon Hall, in said town on Monday, March 5, 1917, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the several town officers.
- Art. 4. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.
- Art. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7. To establish the method for collecting taxes for the ensuing year.
- Art. 8. To choose a Collector for the ensuing year.
- Art. 9. To establish the number of Road Commissioners to be appointed by the Selectmen.
- Art. 10. To establish the price per day that the Road Commissioners shall receive for their services.
- Art. 11. To choose one member of the School Committee.
- Art. 12. To choose a Fire Ward for the ensuing year.
- Art. 13. To establish the price per day that the Fire Ward shall receive for his services.
- Art. 14. To choose all other necessary town officers.
- Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.
- Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the repair of schoolhouses, and supplies, for the ensuing year.
- Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for textbooks for the ensuing year.
- Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying tuition in secondary schools.
- Art. 19. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$15,000 for the purchase of books for schoolhouses, as required by law.
- Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for instruction in music in the public schools.
- Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise to remodel a school building and to improve or extend the lot for the same.
- Art. 22. To see if the town will authorize the Superintending School Committee to maintain a school at North Bethel or Middle Intervale.
- Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the repair of roads and bridges and the over expenditure, for the ensuing year.
- Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for breaking out of winter roads and over expenditure, for the ensuing year.
- Art. 25. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid, as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 26. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$666.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the rate of highways, the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 19 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise money and what sum for the maintenance of State highways during the ensuing year within the limits of the town, under the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to expend the money remaining from the roller appropriation of last year, which sum is \$248.77, to purchase a new road machine and road plough.
- Art. 29. To see if the town will vote and raise money for the purpose of buying a snow roller for use at West Bethel and vicinity.
- Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of poor for the ensuing year.
- Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for town officers.
- Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for miscellaneous expenses for the ensuing year.
- Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise to pay on the town debt and interest.
- Art. 34. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said money to be expended by Brown Post, G. A. R.
- Art. 35. To see if the town will vote and raise \$25.00 for the benefit of the Bethel Band.
- Art. 36. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay for collector's bond for 1917.
- Art. 37. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer to hire money, if necessary, to pay outstanding bills.
- Art. 38. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$200.00 to purchase from the Bethel Library Association the free use of its books during the ensuing year, for all the inhabitants of the town under such restrictions and regulations as shall insure the safety and good usage of the books.
- Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to hold a good roads day this coming summer.
- Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to sell the corn shed property, and, if so, in what manner it shall be sold, and for what sum.
- Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of jurors as made out by the Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Art. 42. To see if the town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of twelve to be known as the Budget Committee.

Art. 43. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$273.00, the same being the amount voted at the special town meeting of June 24, 1916, for the purpose of building the new road connecting Mason and Spring streets.

Art. 44. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$600 to cover sand at Middle Intervale.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$300 to cover sand and fix road from Fred Mundt's to Albany Line.

Art. 46. To see if the town will vote to fix the salary of the Treasurer at \$100 per year instead of \$50.

And any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands this 10th day of February, A. D. 1917.

FRANK A. BROWN,
N. E. RICHARDSON,
F. B. HOWE,

Selectmen of Bethel.

The Selectmen will be in their office Saturday, the 3rd day of March, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters of the town, and hearing and deciding cases of applicants claiming the right to have their names on the voting list.

A true copy—Attest:
FRED B. MERRILL.

YOUR LAST CHANCE.

Recently we published in these columns an offer of The Youth's Companion and McCall's Magazine, both for a full year, for only \$2.10, including a McCall Dress Pattern. The high price of paper and ink has obliged McCall's Magazine to raise their subscription price February 1 to 10 cents a copy and 75 cents a year—so that the offer at the above rates must be withdrawn.

Until March 31 our readers have the privilege of ordering both publications for a full year, including the choice of any 15-cent McCall Dress Pattern, for only \$2.10.

The amount of reading, information and entertainment contained in the fifty-two issues of The Youth's Companion and the value of twelve monthly fashion numbers of McCall's at \$2.10 offer a real bargain to every reader of this paper.

This two at one price offer includes:

1. The Youth's Companion—52 issues.
2. The Companion Home Calendar for 1917.
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Mother, if your child whines, is fretful and cries out in sleep, he is probably suffering from worms. These parasites drain his vitality and make him more susceptible to serious diseases. Quickly and safely kill and remove the worms from your child's system with KICKAPOO Worm Killer. This pleasant candy laxative in tablet form quickly

brightens up. Get Kickapoo Worm Killer at your Druggist, 25c. Adv.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Mrs. Jennie Nelson and Mrs. W. H. Hart have been quite ill.

Mrs. Bertha Hart Hamblen of Portland came Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hart.

Died, Feb. 15, Florence Shirley, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hart, Clifford Nason, who has been in Portland for the past two weeks, came home, Saturday.

R. H. Ripley has returned home from Island Pond, where he has been, to work.

Gingerling Coughs Are Dangerous.
Get rid of that tickling cough that keeps you awake at night and drains your vitality and energy. Dr. King's New Discovery is a pleasant balsam, remedy, expectorant, laxative and promptly effective. It soothes the irritated membrane and kills the cold germs; your cough is soon relieved. Delay is dangerous—get Dr. King's New Discovery at once. For nearly fifty years it has been the favorite remedy for grippe, croup, coughs and colds. Get a bottle to-day at your Druggist, 50c. Adv.

It sometimes happens that the early bird merely scratches up the worms for the late riser.



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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL Five Reasons

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE HAIR-TRIGGER OF EXPECTANCY.

Here we are, a people of more than a hundred million in number, true lovers of peace, wanting nothing except to be treated as becomes our respectability, and quite willing to overlook a lot of bad manners on the part of any other nation, because we know that their conditions are abnormal. And at the very moment when we are trying to fix up the European family quarrel, the old performance of ingratitude and defiance is hurled at us. And what are we going to do about it? The President, by breaking off relations with the German Empire, has performed an act which in substance means that we regard that government as an "outlaw among nations." The severing of diplomatic relations is the most forceful peaceful means known by which one nation may show its contempt for another. And while all along Washington continued to cherish the hope of peace, every branch of the Government moved toward war. The dear little old White House was barred off from the traffic of the city; and for the first time within the memory of most residents of the city, its gates were closed, and its stood protected by the armed officers of the law against the approach of all visitors. The Army and Navy and State Building was also closed, and the employees were furnished cards of identification which enabled them to get to their work.

There is no news of the situation more than probable that before this piece of copy reaches its destination in print, or is outlawed by changes in events, that the entire condition will have undergone a radical change.

Washington hunches are as often wrong as those of any other part of the country. It will be remembered that war with Mexico was a certainty on more than one occasion. When the diplomatic relations were broken off, the majority of Washingtonians were "sure" that war would follow, but others held to the hope that something less radical would occur; and it was suggested that the shooting up of a few German submarines might be accomplished without a declaration of war. But, speculations have proven vain; and the news of the day must be analyzed by every thoughtful reader, who is about as capable of determining conditions as those "wise" people who are in every current of events at Washington, and whose judgments are apt to be warped because they are living under the hair-trigger of expectancy.

THE COMMUNITY SPIRIT.
Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the President, is given great credit for her activities in behalf of the "community spirit." She has carried her views before committees of Congress, asking that the public schools of the city of Washington be open to the parents in order that simple means be found by which the interchange of points of views might be provided to people interested in the public schools.

The President previous to coming to Washington went on record as advocating the community idea, and the use of schools in bringing about a closer understanding between the people. He said that the whole process of modern life is capable of being adjusted so as to exclude misunderstanding, exclude hostilities, and bring all men into common counsel, and so discover what is the common interest. This is the problem of modern life. Pointing to the part which the common schoolhouses offer to answer this common need, the President said: "They are public buildings. They are evenly distributed. They belong to the communities. They furnish ideal places in which to assemble and discuss public affairs. They are just what we need." The President has interested himself in the larger affairs of government and has not had time to devote to such ideas as are indicated in the foregoing statement. It is likely, however, that he has encouraged the activities of his daughter along these lines.

The community spirit formerly existed to a very large extent in rural communities, and the schoolhouses were needed for all sorts of public gatherings. The old theory that church and state must remain separate disabilities was often defeated in the use of the schoolhouses. It was carried to the point where it was interpreted that the use of school buildings for political purposes and for public meetings, made the schoolhouse an institution that was being constantly misused for unworthy purposes. The school board, no matter how intelligent might be its management of public school buildings, inevitably have to face demands for occupancy of public property, that could not be very well complied with. Out of this condition came the lightning

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of the lines by the local school boards, and the consequent restriction of the buildings to uses of school purposes only. Theoretically the community idea is correct, and Miss Wilson and others who think along the same lines with her, are satisfied that a plan can be worked out so that the schoolhouse may indeed become the acknowledged arena of the adults of the community, for settling what President Wilson defined as "the whole processes of modern life."

The need of central places for gatherings is greater today in the cities than it ever was in the rural communities, because meeting places are more widely scattered in the metropolitan districts. The hiring of halls, and renting of rooms, together with their upkeep, is a very serious responsibility for any small group of citizens to undertake in any metropolitan community.

The movement for increasing the use of public schoolhouses has been endorsed by ex-Presidents Roosevelt and Taft. It is one of the few instances on record where Mr. Wilson, Professor Taft and Col. Roosevelt have been of the same mind. In New York where problems of living are most complicated than anywhere else, the granting of some of the school buildings to community settlements, has resulted in so many abuses of the privilege that the idea has received a serious setback.

THE INCOME AND THE OUTGO.
If you cannot control either your income or your expenses you will find that your chances of success are very limited," remarked a prominent Washington attorney recently, who went on to explain that the willingness of the public to agitate the railroad question and to determine it by political exigencies in any particular case has created the serious condition responsible for the refusal of investors to put their money in railroad properties, when so many other and more attractive fields are open. In replying to questions as to whether or not the railroads were not more or less to blame for the situation, the attorney added that he agreed with the claims that some of the objectionable things which have been done in respect to financing railroads have had an effect upon the public estimate of railroad management. He added that there were other causes that have created insuperable difficulties. "You have got to convince the investor that there is going to be a proper return on the security," because capital has forsaken railroad investments.

BRYANT'S POND.
The Ladies' Social Union will give their second entertainment at the Universalist church, Friday evening, Feb. 23. The program is arranged with musical selections and the fare, "How the Story Grew."

Practical Lodge gave a public banquet at their regular meeting Monday evening, the occasion being the fifty-third anniversary of the Knights of Pythias organization in America. Many invited guests were present and previous to the banquet public exercises were held in the lodge hall, where several musical selections were rendered and able addresses delivered by Mr. Jacobs of Lyran and Rev. C. C. Miller of South Paris.

Friends here have been advised of the serious illness of Dr. J. A. Galloway at his home in Franklin, Mass. Dr. Galloway is a native of Woodstock and has been a practicing physician of Massachusetts for nearly thirty years. For a number of years he has practiced his profession in Franklin, taking the place of his brother, the late Dr. Jefferson C. Galloway.

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Allen's Foot Powder, the antiseptic powder for painful, smarting, tender, sore feet. It takes the sting out of corns and bunions. Over 100,000 packages are being used by the German and Allied troops at the front. Sold everywhere, 25c. Adv.—S. L. S.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

WEST BETHEL UNION CHURCH.

The Christian Endeavor service was held at the church, as usual, Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Byron Bean was the leader. The Sunday school followed the Endeavor service with a very good attendance.

On Saturday evening, a social at the home of the S. S. Superintendent was much enjoyed by those who attended. Delicious ice cream was served.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

"The Best Equipment" will be the theme of the sermon next Sunday morning.

All second class Scouts of Troop 2 are invited to the parsonage next Monday evening.

The Christian Endeavor leader for next Sunday evening is Miss Blanche Herrick.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Carver, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

In the passing away of Mrs. Moses Hastings, our Ladies' Circle has lost a loyal member and the church and Sunday school, a faithful devoted friend. Mrs. Hastings was able to go out very little on account of her health, but her thought and interest were ever active in behalf of everything pertaining to her church. Her kind and generous spirit prompted many helpful deeds which only the recipient and perhaps one personal friend knew anything about. She will be greatly missed by us all.

The Ladies' Circle, which met with Mrs. Marshall Hastings last week, the committees for the annual fair, which will be held July 25th, were elected.

The Social Six will meet with Mrs. J. S. Burbank, Saturday afternoon.

The Y. M. U. A. will have a social and dance, with refreshments, Friday evening of this week in Grange Hall. Subject of the morning sermon next Sunday, "Lent." Topic at the evening service, "Jesus' Prayer Life."

METHODIST CHURCH.

The address by Miss Day of Rochester, N. Y., last Friday evening was greatly enjoyed by the members of the W. H. M. S. and their friends who were present. Thoroughly familiar with the work of the society she represents, her use of maps and pictures and her own charming personality combined to make this one of the most vivid and helpful missionary addresses heard here for a long time.

The Ladies' Aid Society meets this week with Mrs. Kendall on Thursday afternoon.

The theme for next Sunday morning sermon is, "Reasons for believing in immortality."

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